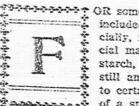
Commence The manusum Chimera of Commercial Synthesis of Foods.

By Prof. Th. Eckorny.



OR some little time certain of the carbohydrates have been included in the list of substances that can be made artificially, in the laboratory. I do not allude to the commercial manufacture of glucose, on an immense scale, from starch, nor even to the possible production of glucose from still another carbohydrate, the cellulose of wood. I refer to certain preparations which are yet little known outside of a small body of specialists; for example: Butlerow's "methylenitan," Loew's "methose," "formose," and "isofor-

Particular Survey (

Exose," and Emil Fischer's "a-acrose," which have been built up by synthesis from much simpler organic compounds. Just as plants, aided by sunlight, construct carbohydrates from atmospheric carbonic acid, or from for-Emiliebyde, methyl alcohol, etc., so chemists have produced sugars or carbohydrates by agitating formaldehyde with excess of hydrate of lime, or by lecting it with magnesia.

Fire the commercial production of these synthetic sugars will long be section of the plants and the sun, which work far more cheaply than man. Cane sugar is worth five or six was a pound at retail. What hope is there for producing it synthetically at such a price? Potato starch costs less than two cents a pound. The synthetic production of carbohydrates at these prices will scarcely be possible waili we have found a way of utilizing solar energy as economically as it is reliced by chlorophyl-and we are yet very far from such a consumma-

Only z very bold and rash spirit can dream that the manufacturing chem-Est with, within any conceivable period of time, supplant the former as a provesur of food

& suber review of the actual facts leads to a very different conclusion. Caesider, for example, the cost of converting the albumen of meat into somatrese-that is to say, into the substances known to the chemist as albumoses or propertones. Although somatose is only a slightly simplified albumen, the costs ten times as much as the very albumen from which it is derived, and a hundred times as much as vegetable albumen. There have recently appeared even in popular journals, reports of the synthetic production of al-Expressed in the laboratory of the eminent chemist, Emil Fischer, of Berlin. From the considerations given above, however, it would appear that this synthesis is likely to have as little immediate practical value as is possessed by the earlier synthesis of carbohydrates.

In regard to foods, the task of chemistry will continue to be the study of their chemical constitution and structure, the knowledge of which is of investimable value in medicine and biology.

The synthetical production of foods is not at present a problem worthy of the attention of serious-minded chemists.—Translated for the Scientific Arrerican from Eraschau.

Sales Andrew See Publicity Would Correct Many Evils

Ey Henry Clows, the New York Banker. The state of the s

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E live in a progressive age, and we are at present passing through a period of salutary business reform. This reform means improvement, and business men of all kinds should help and not retard it. The banking, railway, and insurance communities should, in particular, do all they can to promote it and invite the fullest publicity as to their transactions and methods of doing business.

The one-man power in large corporations, with a lot of dummy directors subservient to it, should come to an end. Darray directors are no better than so many decoy ducks that mislead the public. They are directors who do not direct and are not expected to se in control who selected them for election.

No man ought to accept a place as director or trustee of an institution ar corporation, particularly in a banking, railway, industrial, or life insursuce company, who does not fully appreciate the responsibility of the posi-Fire and the care and vigilance it demands and intend to faithfully and conscientiously perform its duties. Directors in dealing with the officers of Their superations should have opinions of their own and not be afraid to exgress them. They are not alone responsible for their own errors or wrongful acts, but for failure to expose and put a stop to the wrongdoing of the efficers or employes under their control.

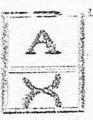
With the growth of our population we shall grow, not only in material weelth, but in the higher products of an advancing civilization, in the arts and sciences and literature, and all that embellishes and glorifies mankind. Therefore, we should, 2s we go along, endeavor to correct errors, shortcom-Pages and abuses, and prune away rotten and unsound timbers in our public

The way can be best paved by promoting public spirit and sweeping Twey the opportunities for business wrongdoing in secret, such as rebating, ly wise lars properly enforced and backed by public opinion.

This would compel the crooks, grafters, rebaters, and competition crushers of the business world who have schemed in darkness and shunned the Might to come out into open view, and publicity alone would be a perfect cure for meny great evils.

Old Maids De'ended by a Bachelor Who is Waiting for Cupid.

Ly William E. Brown.



LTUGUGH a bachelor, I think woman the acme of life's comfort, and I despise the reference of one correspondent to "the countless and steadily increasing army of old maids." I am curious to know what he might say about the increasing urmry of "old bachelors."

We should approach the unmarried among the fair sex with proper delicacy, for they are usually the sinned against. not the singing. They have been too frequently the victims of regiect or caprice. As a class "old maids" have been

matrand. The colors epither has come to be a synonym for scandal loving. El wanter and everything that is ungratious in a woman. Because she is un-Tauthed it does not follow that a woman is heartless; on the contrary, when ler effections are not centered upon one object they usually are distributed where many. That women have not married is seldom owing to the want of of farturally, though in some instances this may be the case; for usually their misate are as of that dashing and showy order most appreciated by men. They, as wourse, understand that the position they occupy is not the highest and antisst one ordained for women, but they cannot see that it would mend TATESTS IN all as make themselves up into merchantable articles, advertise the markets for sale and be appropriated by the highest bidder, to mend his caspenders, data his stockings, sew on buttons, prepare his meals or preside in his drawing toom; especially if they are required to make oath of allegi-

Pethaps row will wonder why the writer remains a bachelor. If so, I have only we say has no doubt the unmarried of the opposite sex do) that I am simply wifting ter Could to come along. He is the best matrimonial agent. I have INOTE Tex who bessted of their ability to find all the solace and diversion they remained in the perusal of their favorite author or in travel, etc., and who we cancer of merived at the conclusion, when all these pursuits in quest of pleasare had palled on them, that the companionship of the sweetest attribute in Ele, a feving, womanly woman, was the stimulus they needed to make life worth Trime-The Sun.

Sidesterning It.

IK's: Weitmus-You never have any reable with your cosks? how do you about Georgie Gayson," said Mrs. Old-

Max U mere-Whenever I go cut of house for a day and heave instructions der what made her get a red one?"with my busband to discharge her while In wary we get one that waesn't suit.-Chicabo Tribune.

The tempage of Japanese vessels at the Chinese port of Hong-Kong has the sky is overcast and the air humid

The Wrong Color.

"What I regard as most conspicuous

castle, 'is her naivete! "Yes," replied her hostess, "I won-Modern Society.

The Italians do not seem to feel cold when the sky is blue, no matter how low the temperature. It is only when that they complain of a cold spell.

EX-SENATOR SHOT

Arthur Brown, Former United States Senator From Utah Shot and Sericusly Wounded by Mrs. Anna M. Bradley, G Salt Lake City.

Washington, D. C., Special.-Former United States Senator Arthur Brown, of Utah, lies in a critical condition in Emergency Hospital, from a pistol shot wound in the abdomen inflicted by Mrs. Anna M. Bradley, of Salt Lake, who arrived here Saturday from that city. The shooting occurred in Senator Brown's apartments in the Hotel Raleigh, where Mrs. Bradley also had registered under the name of "A. B. Brown." She was taken in custody and was locked up for the night in the matron's room of the First Precinct police station.

Two shots were fired, one glazing Brown's left hand and the other entering the abdomen and lodging in the pelvic cavity. After working over him for nearly two hours, the surgeons decided that for the present at least they would make no further attempt to find the bullet. It was stated that while Senator Brown's condition was critical, his wounds are not necessarily fatal.

No Witness to Shooting. Mrs. Bradley arrived here shortly after noon. After being assigned a room she immediately went to Senator Brown's apartment. There were no witnesses to the shooting, but a floor maid heard the shots and notified the management. According to her statement, Mrs. Bradley came to Washington to demand that Senator Brown marry her. She said that their relations were well known in Salt Lake. "I asked him if he was going to do the right thing by me," she said, maintaining a remarkable composure. "His reply was that he put on his overcoat and started to leave the room and I shot him. I abhor acts of this character, but in this case it was fully justified."

While expressing no sorrow for her act, she was glad to know that Senator Brown might recover. "I was practically penniless when I got here today." she said, "having only \$1.25, and after paying the cabman, all the money I had in the world was \$1.00." She said she urged Senator Brown to marry her, that he had been instrumental in the divorce between her husband and herself, and that as his wife was dead he now could "do the right thing" by her. This she said he positively refused to do.

Tells Senator Her Story. Mrs. Bradley is a brunette, about 38 years old, and frail of statue. Her first act after being taken to the police station was to send for Senator Sutherland, of Utah, who called on her. Senator Sutherland regretted being brought into the case, but said that Mrs. Bradley had sent for him because he was the ony man here whom she knew. To him she told the story of her relations with Senator Brown. She alleged that two of her children owe their parentage to Senator Brown and that she had named one of them after him. Mrs. Bradley was reluctant to speak of her former husband, but questioning brought out the facts that he now is living in Nevada with a second wife.

Further questioning disclosed the fact that Mrs. Bradley for two years, 1900 and 1902, had served in the capacity of secretary to the Utah State Republican committee and also at one time was editor of the official organ of the State Federation of Women's Clubs. She declared that she had a sister in the newspaper business in Salt Lake City, but that she would not communicate with memberr of her family because she knew that they would come to her assistance.

Manager Talty, of the Raleigh, was notified of the shooting within two or three minutes after it occurred. He hurried to Senator Brown's apartment to ascertain the facts.

Brown Retains Consciousness.

Senator Brown, despite the seriousness and shock of the wound, retained consciousness and was perfectly calm and collected. He made no statement to Mr. Talty beyond saving that he had been shot by Mrs. Bradley.

The woman continued in the room while Mr. Ttatly was attending to Senator Brown, but offered no assistance. Finally, Mr. Tatly ordered her to leave the room. She declined with absolute coolness to comply with

"I will remain here," she said. "I am the mother of two of his chil-Gren.

An officer from the first precinct police station placed Mrs. Bradley under arrest. She made no resistance and offered no further explanation of the shooting. She was asked for a statement of the incident, but referred all those who inquired to Senator Sutherland, of Utah.

Rawlings Boys Not to Hang.

Atlanta, Ga., Special.-The pardon board commuted the death sentence of Jesse and Milton Rawlings to life imprisonment. The crime is the same for which their father, J. G. Rawlings and Alf Moore, a negro, were hanged at Valdosta, Tuesday. The recommendation of the pardon board goes to Gov. Terrel, who undoubtedly will epprove the decision.

Caught in Cotton Gin.

Louisburg, Special .- Mr. J. A. Spencer met with a horrible accident Thursday morning at his gin house about one mile from here. He was caught and drawn upon the saws of the gin. One arm was cut to pieces. his face being badly mangled. Several teeth were sawed out, and he was badly cut about the body. It was feared at first he could not live, but the physicians now ententain slight hopes of his recovery.

WRECK AT DANVILLE THE WORK OF CONGRESS SEVENDE IN FLAMES

Another Rear-End Crash and Negligence the Cause

TWO TRAINMEN ARE VICTIMS

Engineer George Kinney, of Thomasville, Brother of the Engineer Who Had Such Narrow Escape Thanksgiving Day, and Brakeman W. B. King., Killed Outright-No. 34 Telescopes a Freight in the Yards at Danville-Fire Follows the Wreck -A Number Injured, of Whom at Least One Will Die.

Danville Va., Special.-Another railroad horror on the Southern which in many respects resembles that at Lawyers nine days ago, which resulted in the death of President Spencer, was enacted in the yards here Saturday morning at about 4 o'clock. Two persons were killed outright. half a dozen more or less injured, one of whom will die as a result of their

Train No. 34. northbound, a solid Pullman and passenger train, crashed into the rear of freight train No. 82, which was standing on the main line. The engine ploughed through the caboose and demolished several ears ahead of it. Fire followed the wreck and the local department was ealled out. Four or five cars were consumed and others badly damag-

The Dead and Injured. Engineer George C. Kinney, of No. 34, was scalded to death and Brakeman W. B. King burned to a crisp. The home of Kinney, who is a brother of Will A. Kinney, the engineer on the train that crashed into Spencer's car, is at Thomasville, N. C. King's

The seriously injured are: H. M. Patterson, of Chatham, brakeman, injured about the head and shoulders and leg broken.

home is in Danville.

O. J. Mull, of Columbia, S. C., flagman of No. 82, back sprained and hurt about the head. O. O. Mailer, postal clerk, slightly

Robert Ford, colored fireman on No. 34, injured internally and will likely die. Several of his bones were broken.

The blame for the wreck rests upon two employes of the Southern. Flagman Mull, of No. S2, who was injured, and one or the other of the operators at Danville and Neapolis block stations. When the freight came to a standstill it was the duty of the flagman to go back and place a danger signal for any approaching train and the information so far

shows that Mull did not do this. Operator Skenille, at Danville, and Operator Clellons, at Neapolis, make contradictory statements regarding the sending and receiving of orders of a clear block for No. 34 and only official investigation will bring out the real facts. Dispatcher Skenille. at Danville black station, was formerly at Rangoon and was succeeded by Mattox, who is held responsible for the recent big wreck at Lawvers. An investigation by the local police authorities will be held in the mayor's

court Tuesday morning. Wreck at China Grove. China Grove, Special. - Several box cars of southbound freight train No. 75 were derailed here. A number were completely demolished, but nobody was hurt. The chief feature of the wreck was the inconvenience to passenger trains. The main line is completely blocked, and unable to pass at 11:30.

Young Men Needed For the Navy. Washington, Special .- "We want younger men to command the shins of the navy," said Admiral Dewey, after an interview with the president, "and the only way to accomplish it is to retire officers early." This result is sought to be attained by the enactment of the naval personnel bill which the Admiral discussed with the

Discharge.i Negro Soldiers Apply for Re-Enlistment.

Washington, Special .- At the instance of Secretary Taft Sergeant Sanders and Private Elmer Brown, of the Twenty-Fifth Infantry, colored, filed with the military secretary applications for re-enlistment in the army. One of these has been referred to the President in order that he may determine whether or not any of the men of the Twenty-fifth Infantry who were recently discharged without honor shall be re-enlisted and if so on what conditions.

John C. Brain Dead.

Tampa. Fla., Special.-John C. Brain, of the Confederate navy, died here of paralysis. During the civil war he commanded several Confederate vessels. After the war he went to England and returning a month later he was arrested by order of Secretary of the Navy Gideon Wells and was held a prisoner uptil March, 1869, being the last Confederate prisoner to be released.

Planning an Investigation.

Washington, Special.-An investigation of the operation and management of the railroads controlled by James J. Hill and his associates, including the Northern Pacific, the Great Northern, and the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, is in contemplation mission. The matter has been talked over by the commissioners and after certain preliminaries have been arranged and counsel for the commission selected, formal announcement

What Our National Lawmakers Are Doing From Day to Day

Taft to Give Information.

The resolution of Senator Penrose calling the President or all the facts regarding the discharge of the negro troops belonging to the Twenty-fifth Infantry, was received at the White House and at once turned over by the President to Secretary Taft, who will furnish the information desired. The Foraker resolution, which also was passed at the same time, but which is directed to the Secretary of War. had not been received by Secretary Taft up to a late hour Friday. Secretary Taft said, however, upon returning from the cabinet meeting, that he would comply with both resolutions to the fullest extent.

Simplified Spelling. Simplified spelling received a hard bolw in the legislative bill for 1908 reported to the House by the committee on appropriations, which says: 'Hereafter in printing documents authorized by low or ordered by Congress or either branch thereof the Government Printing Office shall follow the rules of orthography established by Webster's or other generally accepted dictionaries of the English language."

The bill carries an appropriation of \$31,215,525, which is \$685,842 less than the estimates made for the legislative, judicial and executive Departments of the government.

An increase from \$1,200 to \$1,000 is made in the allowance to members of the House for clerk hire, and tha requirement that members certify they have spent this amount is omit-

Efforts to take up the bill conferring citizenship upon the citizens of Porto Rico, reported from the committee on insular affairs of the House were defeated by objections of the

An Important Measure.

During the three hours the House was in session it passed a bill which has the enthusiastic endorsement of labor as well as manufacturers generally, repealing that portion of the Wilson inter-state commerce bill relating to convict-made goods and pointing the several States to regulate their competition with "free labor" made grods.

The bill was introduced by Mr. Hunt, of Missouri, himself a practical stonemason. Under the Wilson bill, which became a law in 1890, convinct labor-made goods may enter into active competition with the goods manufactured by "free labor" and under this Federal law a State could not pass a law that would prevent the shipping into the State prisonmade goods of other States. The law which was passed abrogates the inter-State commerce law as at present applied to convict-made goods, thereby affording to the different States and Territories the right to inhibit the shipping of convict-made goods within the confines of any State or Terri-

Senator Simmons gave further attention to the case which he is to make out against Federal officeholders in North Carolina, who have been perniciously active in political matters. He confered with Mr. Degraw, Fourth Assistant Postmaster general concerning the specific charges which have been made against Daggerhart, the rural free delivery carrier, who, it is alleged, tried to break up a meeting in Iredell county, at which Mr. Hackett was to speak. Mr. Degraw said that the inspector assigned to look into this matter had not vet completed his report, but he thought it would be at hand in a very few days Mr. Degraw enfirmed the report given out by the civil service commission that an agent would be sent from the department to accompany Commissioner Green when he starts on his tour of investigation to the State to look into charges against Federal of-

fice holders. Minority leader John Sharp Williams declared it to be his intention to recommend Representative Small for membership on the rivers and harbors committee, a recognition that is being urged by the entire North Carolina delegation. Mr. Williams is reputed to have said that Mr. Small was his first choice, and that if Speaker Cannon did not approve of this recommendation he would next endorse Representative Ellerbe of South Carolina.

Japs Want Naturalization. Washington, Special. - Favorable action by Congress on the recommendation of the president in his last annual message that an act be passed specifically providing for the natural ization of Japanese who come to the United States intending to become American citizens, will go far toward securing a continuance of the traditional friendly relations between this exentry and Japan, in the opinion of Viscount Aoki, the Japanese ambas-

The ambassador expressed the belief that there were not so many Japaneses in this country to take advantage of naturalization if it were granted, but he thought that such an opportunity should be afforded them along with the citizens of other countries. He said he did not think it probably that those Japanese who were emigrating in large numbers to Hawaii and the Pacific coast would avail themselves of nat; ralization as most of them ultimately returned to

Stole a Street Car.

East Liverpool, O., Special.-The police are looking for a stranger who stole a street ear, ran it four miles and collected fare from all passengers and then decamped. Conductor Deitz was at a pump, getting a drink, when the thief stepped aboard and gave the starting signal. The fellow managed the business so well that the motorman, curtained in on acof the proposed inquiry will be made. count of the rain. suspected nothing.

3 Firemen and 4 Cornell Students Meet Tragic Death

CAUSE OF THE FIRE UNKNOWN

Four Students and Three Firemen Die in Flames Which Destroy Chi Psi Chapter House, Erected it Jennie McCraw Fiske at Cost of \$150,000 One Student Seriously Injured and Three Slightly Hurt.

Ithaca, N. Y., Special.—Seven persons met a tragic death Friday morning in the worst disaster that ever befell Cornell University. Three of the victims were volunteer firemen of the city of Ithaca, and four were students of Cornell University. The firemen all were prominent in this city. They were:

A. S. Robinson, Attorney. John Rumsey, hardware merchant. Esty Landon, a salesman. The students were:

O. L. Schmuck, Hanover, Pa. F. W. Grelle, South Orange, N. J. W. H. Nichols, Chicago.

J. M. McCutcheon, Pittsburg. Schmuck got out of the building but went back for his room-mate, Nichols, and in the attempt to rescue his comrade, he was so seriously injured that he died in the hospital.

One student, C. J. Pope, a freshman of East Orange, N. J., was seriously injured, and three others were slightly injured. They are: R. R. Powers, a senior of Atlanta, Ga.; W. W. Goetz, a sopohmore of Milwaukee, Wis., and H. M. Curry, a sophomore

of Pittsburg.
Rumsey, London and Robinson, the Ithaca volunteer firemen, had managed to train a hose on the north side of the house when the wall tottered. There was a cry of alarm, and several men standing near managed to get out of the way, but the three named were caught under the mass of debris and killed.

A few minutes after the flames were discovered the Chi Psi Chapter House was all ablaze, the flames fanned by a strong northwest wind and the students were trapped in the dormitory on the third floor. Many of the boys jumped to safety while those who hesitated were carried to the ground by the falling walls.

No alarm was turned in until half an hour after the fire had been discovered and it was half an hour later before the volunteer fire department could get to work. There was a long climb from the lower part of the city to the college grounds and by the time the firemen arrived the interior of the building was almost burned out. They could do nothing but prevent the adjoining buildings from

The money loss is nearly \$200,000, since the original cost of the building erected by Mrs. Jennie McGraw Fiske was about \$150,000 and extensive interior decorations had been

The cause of the fire is unknown. though it is suspected that it started in the kitchen. Cornell University is immeasurably appalled by the terrible catastrophe and academic work is almost suspended.

The burned building was built by Jennie McGraw Fisky, the benefactor of Cornell, whose will was contested by her husband, Prof. Willard Fiske. Mrs. Fiske died abroad, seeking help for an incurable disease, and never entered her beautiful mansion alive. Her body was taken there for

Killed by Brother-in-Law.

Bristol, Tenn., Special .- The coroner's jury impaneled to investigate the cause of the death of Dr. Isaac Anderson, who was supposed to have committed suicide, after two days session, returned a verdict fixing the resposibility for his death upon a brother of his widow, James Nelms aged 21 years. Nelms was suspected of the murder and arrested shortly after Dr. Anderson's death and is now in jail at Gate City. A warrant charging him with murder has been served upon him.

Twelve Miners Die in Shaft.

Laredo, Mex., Special.-News has just reached this city from Monterey, Mex., of a mine accident, which occurred last Tuesday at the Avino mines, and which resulted in the death of 12 Mexican miners, who were at work in the shaft. The aceident was due, it is reported, to the carelessness of some one in letting a big flow of water into the lower level, where the men were discovered.

New President Takes Office. Weshington, Special.-William W.

Finley, recently chosen as the successor of the late President Samuel Spencer, of the Southern Railway, assumed the active duties of his office Friday and will make his headquarters in this city. The policies of the late president will be carried out and no material changes in the system or the personnel of the executive branch of the road are cotemplated by Mr. Finley.

Schooner a Fatal Loss.

Philadelphia. Special.-The Assoteague life saving station reported that the three-master schooner Florence I. Lockwood, from Norfolk to New York, with a cargo of lumber, stranded on Williams shoal, off Assateague, Va., last night, and is a total loss. Captain Taylor and his crew were rescued by the life savers, 000,000, over last year

A TRIPLE HOMICIDE

As Result of Dischare of a Shotgun by Heintisch Coggins, Eight-Year-Old Boy, of Cedar Springs, S. C., His Sister, Hattie Lou Coggins, is Dead, and a Colored Girl and the Boy Himself Are Probably Fatally Wounded.

Spartanburg, S. C., Special.-News reached here of a terrible tragedy that occurred at Cedar Springs Wednesday afternoon, which may yet result in the deaths of three children. As it is, one is already dead and two others are expected to die at any moment. The dead child is Hattie Lou Coggins, a girl eight years of age, daughter of Lisco C. Coggins. Her twin brother, Heinitsch Coggins, is badly hurt and a colored girl, who is employed in the family, is thought to be mortally wounded.

Mr. Coggins returned from a hunt and placed his loaded shotgun in a corner of a room, within reach of the boy Heinitsch. Picking up the firearm, he directed it toward his sister. who was at play with her colored companion in the same room. Playfully he pulled the trigger and the contents of the barrel lodged in the bodies of the negro child and little Hattie Lou. The recoil of the gun spent its force on the boy's face and elsewhere, and it is feared he may die, being internally injured, it is

Three Rob Freight Train. Clinton, S. C., Special.-Eastbound

freight train No. 22, of the Seaboard

Air Line Railroad, was held up at 6 o'clcok Thursday morning near Mountville, about 8 miles from Clinton. Three men did the work. One car was broken open and considerable silverware stolen. One of the three, who says his name is John Knox, aged 18 years, of Union county North Carolina, was shot by Conductor Hoyt Deadwild in the heel, and is under arrest here. The whole affair was planned in a way which evidenced certainly some knowledge of the train's cargo. During the stop at Mountville the robbers cut the train in twain and signalled Engineer Wilson to go ahead. Thinking, in the semi-darkness, that the signal was that of his flagman, the engineer pulled out, and did not discover until Clinton had been reached that half his train had been left behind. As soon as the first section of the train had left the robbers or two of them broke the seal from one of the cars and entered it. This car, loaded with silverware, they ransacked thoroughly.

Smith to be Tried Again.

Norfolk, Special .- John Smith. the negro charged with criminal assault on Mrs. Mollie Leggett in Princess Anne county was put on trial in the Corporation Court here before Judge Allen R. Hanchel. The trial jury could not agree as to punishment in the case and was discharged. The jury was unanimous for conviction. The first ballot taken stood seven for death and five for 18 years' imprisonment. The last stood nine for death and three for 18 years' imprisonment. Smith will be put on trial again at the next term of the

Death in Big Fire.

Ithica, N. Y., Special.-The Chi Psi Fraternity House at Cornell University, (formerly the Fiske many sion), the finest and most elaborate chapter house in the United States. was burned to the ground. Several students were burned underneath the walls. Attorney A. S. Robinson John Rumsey, son of a wealthy busi ness man, and Esty Landon, all volunteer firemen, were killed by the falling of the wall.

Knoxville Boosters Work For Great-

er City. Knoxville, Special.-A movement was launched looking to a Greater Knoxville. Citizens are seizing tha idea eagerly and the Board of Trade will be behind a movement to ask the legislature to consider the matter. According to the plan now on fort; 35,000 would be added to the population and \$5,000,000 property valua-

Telegraphic Briefs.

Secretary Shonts' daughter denies reports of her engagement to the Duc de Chaurines et Picquigney. Seven Baltimore prisoners were on the special train Wednesday that

tcok 87 convicts from Washington to

A Chicago syndicate offers to take over the United States postal system, cut the rates in half and save the country \$100,000,000. A missionary movement by reform-

the Atlanta Federal prison.

society in New York is being consid-E. L. Adams, agent at Keyford, W.

ed drunkards and those among high

Va., was arrested, charged with robbing the express office of \$6,000. Booker T. Washington's secretary and Collector Anderson, a leading negro politician of New York, sa wthe

president and urged him to modify

the order dismissing the colored troops. The trial of Chester Gillette, charged with the murder of Grace Brown,

practically ended so far as the taking of testimony is concerned. Mrs. Frank McQuire, wife of a schooner's captain, was lashed to the wheel 48 hours, steering the vessel during a storm and getting the craft

Karl Hau, the Washingtonian accused of murder by the Baden-Baden police, is believed to be feigning in-

safely through.

Secretary Wilson reports that the products of American farms this year will amount to a total valuation of \$6,800,000,000, an increase of \$500,-